IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Examiner: N.Y.A.

KAZUYA ISHIWATA ET AL.

Group Art Unit: N.Y.A.

Application No.: N.Y.A.

Filed: Herewith

For: ELECTRON SOURCE FORMING

SUBSTRATE, ELECTRON

SOURCE USING THE

SUBSTRATE, AND IMAGE

DISPLAY APPARATUS

May 1, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 26 to read as follows. A marked-up version of that claim, showing the change made thereto, is attached.

26. (Amended) An electron source according to Claim 24, wherein a plurality of electron-emitting devices are arranged in a matrix wiring composed of a plurality of row-directional wirings and a plurality of column-directional wirings.

REMARKS

Claim 26 has been amended to remove and improper multiple dependency therefrom.

Favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present application are respectfully requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE TO CLAIM 26

26. (Amended) An electron source according to Claim 24 [or 25], wherein a plurality of electron-emitting devices are arranged in a matrix wiring composed of a plurality of row-directional wirings and a plurality of column-directional wirings.

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